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Appl. No. : 10/658,887  
Filing Date : September 9, 2003  
Title : Controlled Fusion In a Field Reversed Configuration and Direct Energy Conversion  
  
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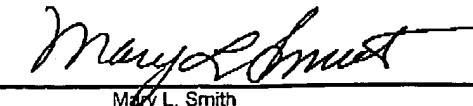
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